

as I do not mean in future to write oftener than once a week. I shall send you a little acc't to private concerns, my own health I hope is not worse, but Dundas who sees me anxious, tells me under such circumstances I must not expect health to return. I have never yet got farther than St. Leonard's in any of my rides, part of most morn^g & H^r or H^r M^r have wanted me, yesterday I got on horseback about 3. notwithstanding Prof^r Affel's death was prep'd to dine at St. Leonard's, three ladies there was no refusing, they all looked well & M^r... only melancholy, as Cooper says, "with those who ever felt the sting of sorrow sorrow is a sacred thing."

& her least pretty but sadly despairing countenance, attracted me the most. Mrs. H^r seems muchly recovered, telling S^r - but to be seated a flirtation is going on between the widow I. & the professed bachelor B. I should romantic paths in the forest & great park are the scenes which witness their attractive conver-sations, she would be little able to say where she rode, tho' this means nothing & apart on Vanthe, it serves to produce a smile and a gay loomy scene. my sweet Helen^m has had a cold & lilly a distracting typhoid that without any cause she has from over anxiety made herself ill, what mischief flows from this fountain of purest delight affection, teach me the degree of indifference you & H^r S. think so practicable. may neither of you have occasion to practice my plan will be about the 12 of next morn to take that & lilly & meet Helen^m & S^r or Ned Lynch, I shall

not be able to hold out longer & then things here will be in
a train, if I do essential good to my country or even the
female part of this family I w^d sacrifice my time my health
but my knowledge of the caste dups, says as I shall
rule only once a fortnight, when that time comes, you must
be content with knowing my prosperity is strong, my friend
Partricht is come from Switzerland well & pleased with his
journ^t I shall just add when I leave how thek then it
surely you must think me a sad proser especially when
I confess I shd like still to what with you

10 o'clock.

I have been with him - by his bed side more than an hour, he is
clear in his idea not wear or quiet but far to much agitated
Greville & I are in favour & to spend this day with him, I do not
see the whole like him so well today. adieu my kind remu-
brance to S. R. & J. H. J. letter with her prayer came yesterday
the true spirit of devotion pervades all she composes of that kind
see her in the light of an angel ever here, may I not be unworthy
to become her associate in an incorporeal world. 11th of the 20th (but
you must have mistaken the date this being only the 21st) came this morn^g
full agape John about George Stock^{rs} footless you well, continue
to like & regard me as much as you can but never profess beyond really
He has again talk'd of me & J. S. this is horrible he says I must lay in his
room every night. —